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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**


Applicant(s) : Takao YOSHIMINE et al.  
Serial No. : 09/821,501  
For : CONTENT PROVIDING DEVICE, CONTENT PROVIDING  
METHOD, PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIA, CONTENT  
PROVIDING SYSTEM AND CONTENT RESERVATION  
CONTROL METHOD  
Filed : March 29, 2001  
Examiner : Robert B. Harrell  
Art Unit : 2142

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2004, wherein restriction was  
required as follows:

Group I claims 1-3 and 10-12, directed to "a content providing device;"

Group II claims 4-9, directed to "a content providing method;"

Group III claims 13-17 and 28-32, directed to "a content providing device;"

Group IV claims 18-27, directed to "a content providing method;"

Group V claims 33-36 and 45-48, directed to "a content providing device;" and

Group VI claims 37-44, directed to "a content reservation control method."

Applicants elect, **without traverse**, Group I claims 1-3 and 10-12 for further prosecution in the present application.

Applicants reserve their right to file one or more divisional applications to re-present nonelected claims 4-9 and 13-48.

An early examination on the merits of the elected claims is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,  
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

**Claims as Amended**

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	48	Minus	** =48	* 0 x	\$18 (9)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	12	Minus	*** =12	* 0 x	\$86 (43)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

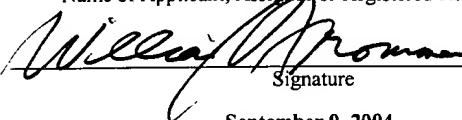
- \* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.  
\*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  
\*\*\* If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$290(145) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the \_\_\_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a \_\_\_\_\_ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims \_\_\_\_\_ petition for extension of time.
- ☐ Charge \$\_\_\_\_\_ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

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